

A2 China challenging the U.S.

1. China is so far behind the U.S. that China could not seriously challenge the U.S. Just because China has rational actors now does not mean that those rational actors could make an error in calculation and decide to attack the U.S.
2. "China has gained rapidly over the past few years and will ultimately replace America as the world's top global economic force, indicated polls conducted by Pew Research" (Centers Global Attitudes Project, July 19 2013).
3. A film made by China's People's Liberation Army (PLA) claims that the U.S. is planning to overthrow the country's ruling communist party through political infiltration and the export of culture, according to Hollywood Reporter (Nov. 2013)
4. China's Navy is already challenging the US in Asia. The PLA already contests maritime Asia with the United States, according to The Diplomat by James R. Holmes, October 16, 2014.
5. By increasing the country's military budget every year, China's government is moving closer to challenging the US-led strategic status quo in the Asia-Pacific since 1945, writes Benjamin Herscovitch, a researcher from the Centre for Independent Studies, an Australian libertarian think tank based in St Leonards, in a commentary written for the Business Spectator on March 11, according to Want ChinaTimes, written by Staff Reporter March 16, 2015.